and adults, schools, and organizations around the region. With the addition of the "Lucille Caudill Little Discovery Center," the LASC will now be able to offer even more hands-on learning opportunities with additional science and art classrooms, as well as a Digital Art Studio and a Clay Studio.

The Living Arts & Science Center is especially important to me as it has hosted my annual Congressional Art Competition for the past two years. I am proud to see this organization expand to offer more programs and activities centered on arts and science. I commend them for their dedication to education and community outreach, and know this expansion will further enhance the Sixth District members' understanding and appreciation for the arts and sciences.

CONGRATULATING COMMANDER BION STEWART—A TRUE COAST GUARDSMAN

HON. HOWARD COBLE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service, dedication and professionalism of Commander, CDR, Bion Stewart, who has served as the U.S. Coast Guard Liaison to the House of Representatives from August 2011 to July 2014. CDR Stewart is a consummate professional and exemplifies the Coast Guard's Corps Values of Honor, Respect, and Devotion to Duty. Over the last three years CDR Stewart's supreme knowledge of Coast Guard operations and strategic priorities has been invaluable to the Members of the Coast Guard's oversight Committees as we make critical decisions in an austere budget environment.

CDR Stewart worked with Committee staff and Coast Guard leadership to prepare for crucial operations, acquisitions, and policy hearings, and was integral in supporting our Subcommittee's efforts in the passage of the Coast Guard Authorization Acts of 2012 and 2014. CDR Stewart's superior expertise in Coast Guard acquisitions and budget priorities was an invaluable resource as the Congress supported the Coast Guard's vital recapitalization and modernization efforts during the 111th, 112th, and 113th Congresses.

As the only former Coast Guardsman in Congress, and as a Member of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee, I am honored to represent the fine men and women of the United States Coast Guard who serve our Nation with distinction. The men and women who serve as Congressional Liaisons take on a monumentally difficult but crucially important challenge; one which is as important to the success of the Coast Guard as the cutter and aircraft crews who protect our waterways every day. I would like to thank CDR Stewart for his dedication and service in this challenging position.

He has been a tremendous help to my staff and me. I want to congratulate him on his upcoming promotion to Captain, and wish him fair winds and following seas as he continues his outstanding service to our Nation. RECOGNIZING McDONALDS MEATS UPON 100 YEARS OF BUSINESS

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Mrs. BACHMANN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize McDonalds Meats of Clear Lake, Minnesota, as it celebrates 100 years of business.

When Mr. John Leo McDonald purchased a meat market in Clear Lake, Minnesota in 1914, little did anyone know how long-lasting this family business would be. Forty years after the business started, John's son Richard took over, meeting the growing demand for business and expanding their facility.

Thirty-five years after that Richard's son, David McDonald, became the head of the family business. Taking on this rich family tradition, David not only expanded the facility for a second time to meet the growing demand for their delicious meats, but he also started experimenting with jerky flavors. Business was booming. David took over full ownership in 1994

Thirteen years later, Travis and Jennifer McDonald, fourth generation McDonalds, continue the family business, providing excellence in service and delicious meats, leading the business into its 100th year.

Like many family-owned businesses throughout our state, McDonalds Meats provides not only a service; but also a sense of security, family and community. It is this sense of tradition that helps make Minnesota a great place to raise a family.

For 100 years and four generations, this

For 100 years and four generations, this hometown business has provided a rich variety of smoked sausages, jerky, deli meats and cheeses, all from their own smokehouses and sausage kitchen.

Mr. Speaker, I ask this body join with me in honoring McDonalds Meats upon reaching this noteworthy centennial milestone. Here's to another century of quality meats.

CONGRATULATING THE 2014 LORDS AND LADIES FAIRFAX, THE RECIPIENT OF THE JAMES M. SCOTT COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD, AND THE CELEBRATE FAIRFAX! VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize a dedicated group of men and women in Northern Virginia. For the past 30 years, each member of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has selected two people from his or her district who have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service, heroism, or other exceptional commitments and accomplishments to our community. Since the program's inception in 1984, more than 570 individuals have been granted the honor of being named a Lord or Lady Fairfax by his or her representative on the Board of Supervisors. The Board also traditionally recognizes these individuals during a reception held in conjunction with the annual Celebrate Fairfax! Festival in June.

This year, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors will recognize those individuals who have made tremendous impacts through their support of our public schools, parks, youth sports leagues, arts community, public safety, and human service programs. It is nearly impossible to fully describe the diversity of accomplishments by the honorees. Their efforts contribute greatly to the quality of life for the residents of Fairfax County and should be commended.

It is my honor to enter the names of the following 2014 Lords and Ladies Fairfax into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:

At Large: Lady Mary Keeser and Lord Rohil Bhinge

Braddock District: Lady Monica Jackson and Lord Anthony J. Vellucci

Dranesville District: Lady Lauri Lacorte and Lord Jay Donahue

Hunter Mill District: Lady Baba Foster Freeman and Lord Michael Amouri

Lee District: Lady Tawny Hammond and Lord George F. Towery

Mason District: Lady Terry O'Hara Lavoie and Lord Jan Reitman

Mt. Vernon District: Lady Mary J. Porter and Lord Colonel Gregory D. Gadson

Providence District: Lady Merni Fitzgerald and Lord James M. Scott

Springfield District: Lady Karen Brown and Lord Paul Liberty

Sully District: Lady Lu Ann Maciulla McNabb and Lord Phillip W. Allin

I also commend the following recipients of the James M. Scott Community Spirit Award and the Celebrate Fairfax! Festival Volunteers of the Year Award:

James M. Scott Community Spirit Award: Fairfax Water

Celebrate Fairfax! Festival Volunteers of the Year Award: Galen and Tara Munroe

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our gratitude to these men and women who volunteer their time and energy on behalf of our community. The selfless commitment of these individuals provides enumerable benefits to their fellow residents and serves to strengthen and enrich the Fairfax County community.

HONORING THE LIFE OF BILL R. LEMAY

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of Bill R. LeMay, who passed away on June 8, 2014, at the age of 81. Bill was a proud resident of California's San Joaquin Valley, and his dedication to the community will never be forgotten.

Bill was born in Oklahoma and moved to Corcoran, California, when he was 13 years old. He had six siblings: Betty, Dorothy, Pearl, Tommy, Johnny, and Susie. From a young age, Bill recognized the importance of hard work. Early on in his career, Bill hauled sheep and cattle by truck during a night shift. He completed twice the amount of work than what was expected, and before receiving his first paycheck, he earned three raises. His tenacity and dedication to always doing his best was something he carried with him throughout his entire life.

In 1952, Bill joined the United States Army during the Korean War and completed basic training at Fort Ord. After serving two years in the military, Bill married the love of his life, Delores Josephine Pagel. Bill and Delores were married for 59 years.

In 1955, Bill began a lifelong career at Salyers' America. At one point, Salyers was one of the largest farming operations in the United States. Bill was the Farm Superintendent and managed 85,000 acres of land, which included 18 crops ranging from wheat and barley to tomatoes and cotton. Bill worked at Salyers for 45 years, retiring in 2000.

In addition to fighting in the Korean War, Bill fought two long battles close to home that were much more personal. The 1969 and 1983 Tulare Lake Floods fueled a long-standing rivalry between Valley farmers and Mother Nature, and Bill was at the forefront. Valley agriculture always played a very significant role in Bill's life because he understood its impact on the strength of our Nation.

More important than his appreciation for agriculture, Bill's family meant everything to him. Bill and Delores loved their three sons and their spouses: Harold and Kelly, Larry and Valerie, and Todd and Stephen. His pride and joy were his eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Bill will be greatly missed by his family and friends, but they will always have an outstanding role model who they will hold in their hearts forever.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect that I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to pay tribute to the life of Bill R. LeMay. His service to our country and dedication to working hard will always be remembered.

CONGRATULATIONS TO HOPKINS ROYALS STATE TRACK CHAMPIONS

HON. ERIK PAULSEN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Hopkins Royals Boys Track Team for their success in attaining their very first Minnesota State High School Championship.

The Hopkins Team was by no means an underdog at State, but they weren't the favorite either. The boys exhibited enormous effort and passion throughout the season and at the tournament—an attitude that even coaches from opposing teams noticed.

The Royals were led by three outstanding athletes in Terrance Bowers, Shaheed Hickman, and Joe Klecker, who gained valuable team points in their respective events. However, it was the team effort in the 4x100 relay that secured the title for the Royals.

Head Coach Nick Lovas is proud of each athlete's individual goals, but even more satisfied with their commitment to the team. His passion for teaching students is an example the entire community can celebrate.

Mr. Speaker, this title will go down in Hopkins High history because it is the first Boys Track Championship in the school's 108 years of existence. The boys pushed themselves to their limits, ran faster and jumped farther each week, and ended up victorious. This accomplishment is the result of the hard work and dedication from the athletes and coaches, as

well as the endless support from parents, teachers and fans.

Again, I want to congratulate the Hopkins Royals Boys Track Team, on becoming State High School Champions.

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF GMU PROFESSOR DONNA STERLING TO SCIENCE EDUCATION

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the tremendous contributions of George Mason University Professor Donna R. Sterling, whose work to improve the research in and development of effective science and math curricula has benefitted elementary and secondary school students across the nation.

Ms. Sterling is a Distinguished Service Professor and Director of the Center for Restructuring Education in Science and Technology at George Mason's College of Education and Human Development. GMU, which is located in the 11th Congressional District in Fairfax, Virginia, is now the Commonwealth's largest public university with 34,000 students, a fulltime faculty of more than 1,800, 11 schools, and degrees in 198 fields of study. Over the past 22 years, Ms. Sterling's research has been instrumental in helping to improve science teaching in elementary and secondary schools and higher educational institutions throughout the Commonwealth and across the country, while simultaneously increasing the profile of George Mason University.

She has served as principal investigator for numerous teacher development and research grants and has authored more than 100 articles, books, and reports. Her portfolio includes the award-winning "New Science Teachers' Support Network" for provisionally-licensed science teachers and "Science Camp" for training pre-service and experienced teachers to conduct problem-based learning with children. Through the years, her research has garnered more than \$50 million in funding support from multiple public and private sources, including the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Department of Education, the Virginia Department of Education, ExxonMobil, Northrop Grumman, Boeing, Micron, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Carnegie Institution of Washington.

A recent project used her research for the basis of the Virginia Initiative for Science Teaching and Achievement (or VISTA). The project received one of the largest Investing in Innovation (or i3) grants from the U.S. Department of Education. It also marked the largest grant in GMU's history and brought together six Virginia universities, the Virginia Department of Education, the Virginia Mathematics and Science Coalition, and private corporate partners to support the improvement of K–12 science education.

In addition to her research work, Ms. Sterling has been an active member of the Virginia Mathematics and Science Coalition, where she has developed policy recommendations and white papers for improving K-12 science education, the development of science lead-

ers, and the preparation of outstanding teacher and student programs.

She earned her Doctor of Education degree in science education from The George Washington University, and she completed her early research and career training under two noted Nobel Prize recipients—Linus Pauling and Melvin Calvin who between them received three Nobel prizes.

She is regarded by her peers as a pioneer in classroom curriculum development to engage young students in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math (or STEM). She also has served as a role model and mentor to generations of graduate students—particularly young women—by inspiring and supporting them as they pursue careers in teaching, research, and leadership roles in the field of STEM education.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the distinguished career of Dr. Donna Sterling and in thanking her for her innovative and lasting contributions to classroom instruction. Her ability to inspire graduate students in scientific discovery—pushing them to question, hypothesize, and verify new knowledge through real experimentation and persistence—have been a hallmark of her passion for science education. She continues to support an ever-expanding network of former students who now are inspiring the next generation of young women and men to unlock the mysteries and wonders of our world through scientific discovery.

RECOGNIZING THE 2014 WAUKEGAN TOWNSHIP MEN OF DISTINCTION LUNCHEON HONOREES

HON. BRADLEY S. SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize some of the Waukegan community's finest leaders.

In education, business, government, faith and more, these 15 outstanding men embody what is best about Waukegan and demonstrate a deep commitment to strengthening our community.

It is my great pleasure to honor the 2014 Men of Distinction: Dr. Phil Carrigan; Arthuer Craigen; Don Elliott; Ronnel Ewing; Chuck Gutman; Kenneth Mayo; Mayor Steve Pannell; Greg Moisio; Joe Moody; Mayor Wayne Motley; Bill Newby; Martin Perez; Pastor Eugene Roberson; Mayor Leon Rockingham; Jose Rodriguez.

It takes strong leaders with vision and dedication to bring a community together and secure a hopeful, prosperous future for the next generation. With no less than their fullest commitment to the people and the township of Waukegan, these 15 honorees work each and every day to enrich their community.

As true Men of Distinction, this year's honorees deserve the highest praise and greatest respect. I know that this honor will merely inspire them to work even harder to strengthen Waukegan and build an even better, closer community.